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Price 3d.] EDINBURGH, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16. 1786.

Sheriff-Clerk's Office, Edinburgh, Dec. 15. 1786.

A MURDERER ESCAPED.

ON Wednesday the 13th, information was lodged with the Sheriff of this county, that there was great reason to think that JOHN REID, servant to James Stewart at the Platt, in the parish of Ratho, and shire of Edinburgh had, on Saturday the 2d of December current, put to death a child of his own, begot in adultery, about nine months old. In consequence of which, people were employed yesterday the 14th current, to look for the child, at the place where it was suspected Reid had committed the murder, and it was accordingly found in a deep stank, sunk by a large stone fastened to its frock.

Reid, under pretence of sending the child to his sister to keep, prevailed upon the mother to part with it, which she did at Ratho Byres, on the 2d December in the moon light, between six and seven o'clock at night, and immediately upon getting it, he went among some houses and got out of sight, and in 20 minutes after was seen by the step-father and the child's mother without the child. After every research John Reid has not been found, but it appears he left his mother's house at Fountain Bridge on Thursday morning the 7th December curt.

The said John Reid was bred a labourer, about 5 feet 3 or 4 inches high, stout made, brownish hair hanging loose, very black in the countenance, much pock-pitted, and a little tender eyed; has a sore upon his under lip, occasioned by a stroke from a horse some time ago, stoops somewhat in the shoulders, and shorter in the arms than usual; had a silver watch, and either a little of a lisp or burr in his accent, coarse grey coat, vest, and breeches, metal buttons, it is believed, and round slouched hat. Whoever will give such information as shall be the means of discovering and apprehending the said John Reid, will receive TEN GUINEAS of reward by applying to WILLIAM SCOT, P. F.

STOLEN.

UPON the nights of the 27th, 28th, or 29th November ultimo, Sundry Pieces of Cloth from the Bleachfield at Gardenstone; and John M'Donald one of the Bleaching Company's Servants, who has since absconded, being suspected of the theft, A REWARD of THREE GUINEAS is hereby offered to any person who can give such information as that he may be apprehended, to be paid at the Sheriff Clerks Office, Edinburgh, on his incarceration. He is about 36 years of age, black complexion, black short hair, and though his face is not pimpled, has the appearance of being much addicted to drink; about 5 feet 8 inches high, and had on when he went off, a round hat, a long blue coat and vest, with a double row of white metal buttons, corduroy breeches, and black and white mixed stockings. He came originally from Lochaber, and still speaks very bad English.

FRUITS, &c.

JUST now arrived, after a short passage, and to be SOLD in Wholesale and Retail the following FRUITS, viz.

Lemons and China Oranges,
Best new Zant Currants,
Raisins of the Sun,
Ditto in Baskets,
Figs in Frails,
Walnuts and Chesnuts,
Some very fine Portugal Onions,
Cydron and Orange Peel,
And some very fine new Dantzick Honey.

With every other article of Grocery and Confectionery Goods. Port and Sherry Wine in buts and bottles. Claret in hogsheads and dozens. Orders for the above addressed to ALEXANDER THOMSON at his Warehouse, facing the Guard, High Street, Edinburgh, will be properly attended to.

N. B. The above goods are all of the best qualities, and will be sold at the very lowest prices.

APPLES,

TO be SOLD in a Loft in the Timber Bush, the entry off the shore of Leith, a very fine Parcel of ENGLISH and FOREIGN APPLES of various sorts, for table and kitchen use; Nonpareilles, and fine eating Russets and Rennets, Golden Rennets, and Lemon Pippins, and large green and ready Fullwoods, &c &c.

P. FORRESTER and CO. inform their Customers, That they have as usual laid in a large and complete assortment of Jewellery, Silver Plate, and Hardware of all kinds, for the winter season; and have this week got a fresh supply of the following articles, of the newest patterns.

Plated and brown Tea Kitchens and Coffee Pots.
Silver and plated Sugar Basons and Milk Pails.
Silver and plated Sets of Castors, Tea Pots, and Salts.
Silver and plated Candlesticks of all kinds.
Plated Tureens, Decanters, and Sauce Boats.
Plated Bread Baskets and Trays.
Gold, silver, and gilt Watches.
Gold Rings, Lockets, Pins, &c.
Elastick and other plated Buckles on Steel.
A large assortment of silk and linen Umbrellas.
Ditto of silver plated and ivory handled Knives and Forks, with or without mahogany, shagreen, or paper Cases.

They have also for sale, a handsome India Tea Chest, and an elegant second-hand silver Epergne, almost as good as new, which will be sold very reasonable.

The highest prices are always given for all kinds of Gold, Silver, and Lace.

TOLBOOTH WYND, LEITH, *Dec.* 8. 1786.

DONALD RYRIE returns his most grateful thanks to his Friends and Customers for past favours, and takes the liberty of informing them, That he has just got to hand, a good assortment of TEAS, SUGARS, and SPICERIES; a parcel of RUSSIA TONGUES, of an excellent flavour, and large size; and likewise a good assortment of the NEW FRUITS, just arrived, with a variety of other articles in the Grocery line, all of which he is enabled to sell on equal terms with any dealer in the place.

D. R. continues to manufacture all kinds of CONFECTIONS; to which he has added the baking of all the different kinds of GINGERBREAD, both for sea and land, which he makes of a superior quality to any to be got here, and considerably cheaper when quantities are ordered.

Seed Cake, Plume Cake, Buns, Diet Loaves, and all kinds of Tarts ready baked.

Orders from the country punctually attended to.

☞ D. RYRIE, to accommodate his Friends in the North, has always on hand at his Warehouse in Thurso, a large stock of Teas and Sugars, Dye Stuffs, Iron and Steel, New Hops, Pot Barley, and Flour, with every other article in the Grocery line, which he sells 20 per cent. cheaper than any one in the Country.

Orders addressed to Mr Niel Ryrie, at Thurso, will be carefully attended to.

COUNTY OF FORFAR

THE CONVENER of the COMMISSIONERS of SUPPLY of the county of Forfar, request them to meet at Forfar, the 8th January 1787, to take under their consideration the state of the Cess of the county.—By order of the Convener.

December, 14. 1786. JOHN URE Clk.

Sufferers by the late Fire.

WHEREAS by the late most alarming FIRE, which broke out in Bess Wynd and Forrester's Wynd, in the parish of the Little or New-North Kirk of this city, several Families have been reduced to absolute poverty and want;—the Ministers and Elders of the parish, desirous to relieve the distresses of the *Poor Families*, beg leave to intimate to the public, that they have appointed Messr. Thomas Trotter, Prince's Street, and Malcolm Wright, Lawnmarket, two of their number, to receive the contributions of all well disposed persons, to be distributed amongst the sufferers according to their several necessities.

Edinburgh Friendly Insurance Office,

New Stairs, Parliament Close, Dec. 12. 1786.

THESE are to give notice, That the Society of the Edinburgh Friendly Insurance against Losses by Fire, do insure Houses, Buildings, Furniture, Goods, and Merchandize of all kinds, conform to printed proposals issued by the said Society, whereof copies are to be had at the Office, gratis.

The TABLE of Annual Premiums to be paid for Insurances.

Sums insured.	Common Insurances.	Hazardous Insurances.	Double Hazardous Insurances.
Any sum not exceeding 100 l.	2 s. per ann.	3 s. per ann.	5 s. per ann.
Above 100 l. & not exceeding 1000 l.	2 s.	3 s.	5 s.
Above 1000 l. & not exceeding 2000 l.	2 s. 6 d. per cent.	4 s. per cent.	7 s. 6 d. per cent.
Above 2000 l. & not exceeding 3000 l.	2 s. 6 d.	5 s.	

Whereas this morning a fire happened in Bess Wynd and Forrester's Wynd, the Sufferers insured with this Office may depend upon immediate payment. And such persons in the neighbourhood who have either houses or goods insured in this Office, and have suffered damage, are desired to give in their claims, and the Office will order them payment directly.

PHŒNIX ASSURANCE-OFFICE,

LOMBARD-STREET, LONDON.

PERSONS insured by this Company, whose annual Premiums will fall due at Christmas, are requested to take notice, that printed acquittances (issued from and checqued at this Office) are now in the hands of the several Agents.

The Agents of the Phœnix Company for Scotland are
John Sterhouse, Esq; Edinburgh.
Messr. Loudon, Craigie, and Company, Glasgow.
Mr Thomas Sandeman, Perth.
Harry Lumsden, Esq; Aberdeen.

It is acknowledged on every side, that the equitable system upon which Insurances against Fire are now effected has been secured to the Public by the liberal plan of this Company and the Office has, in return, been honoured with uncommon marks of public approbation, as the rapid extension of its business fully proves.

☞ The Public are requested to observe, that this Company is not founded on the principle of the Contribution-ship-Societies, in which persons insured are liable for the losses of others, but that, on the contrary, the Policies of this Office contain a full engagement, to pay the whole amount of any loss sustained; for which purpose, the Company holds in readiness an ample fund in Government securities, and at all times discharges the demands of sufferers with as much honour and promptitude as any Insurance Company of Great Britain, acting with or without a charter.

☞ Printed proposals, containing the rates of Insurance and full information of the rules, may be had *gratis* at the house of every Agent.

By Order of the Directors,
H. A. HARDY, Sec. of the Country Department.

ROYAL MAIL-COACH,

FROM EDINBURGH TO LONDON,
By way of Berwick and Newcastle,

SETS off from WILLIAM DRYSDALE's, Cowgate Port, every day in the week, half an hour before four o'clock in the afternoon, and arrives early the next morning in Newcastle.

The Proprietors are happy to have it in their power to inform the public, that the many reports which have been so industriously propagated respecting the accidents said to have befallen the Mail-Coach from here to Newcastle, are void of foundation. Gentlemen who have travelled by this mode of conveyance have declared their approbation of it; and the public may depend upon every exertion on the part of the Proprietors, to render the conveyance safe and pleasant.

The Guards have positive orders from the Proprietors, not to allow any passengers to be taken into the coach upon the road, without an entry of such passengers being properly and regularly made at the first stage. The conduct of drivers of stage coaches has long been a matter of just complaint, in admitting without distinction people of all descriptions. This inconvenience the Proprietors of the Mail-Coach undertake to remedy.

The Mail-Coaches are entirely new, and built upon an approved construction. Imperials will be added to the tops for the purpose of enclosing small parcels, deeds, or writings, that will not bear the friction of the carriage.

All parcels of value brought to the office of William Dryfdale, to be forwarded by the Mail-Coach, must be entered as such, their value declared, and paid for accordingly, as the Proprietors will not be answerable for any such parcels, without such delaration and payment being made in proportion to their value.

N. B. It is necessary to inform those who may have occasion to send parcels for the imperials or top trunks, that these trunks are six inches deep, and no parcels of a greater thickness can be carried in them.

YORK MAIL-COACH,

Guarded all the Way by his Majesty's Servants,

SETS out from Mr Pulleyn's, the York tavern, every night at twelve o'clock, for London, where it arrives at Mr Willans's, the Bull-and-Mouth Inn, Bull-and-Mouth street, between six and seven the second morning following.

Inside Passengers 3 l. 3 s. Short Passengers 4 d. per mile. Two outside Passengers, half-price.

Passengers allowed 14 lb. for luggage, all above pay 2 d. per pound. The greatest care will be taken of parcels, if under a stone, at 2 s. each.—The undertakers will not be accountable for writings, money, jewels, or plate, unless entered as such, and paid for accordingly.

N. B. Ladies and Gentlemen may depend upon every care and attention being paid to their safety, and sufficient time is allowed for dinner, &c.

☞ For the safety of the Passengers, in dark nights a postilion will ride one of the leaders.

Haberdashery & Linen-Drapery Goods.

ROBERT GOURLAY, head of the Old Fish Market Close, Edinburgh, takes the liberty of informing his Friends and the Public, That he is just arrived from England, where he bought a very large, elegant, and cheap assortment of Haberdashery and Linen Drapery goods, particularly of Modes, Laces, Printed Cloths Plain, Checked, and Stripped Muslins, and Muslin Handkerchiefs of all breadths, Black Lutstrings, Bombazeens and Norwich Crapes, Muffs and Fur Trimmings, Linens, Long Lawns and Cambricks, Corded Demitties and Muslinets.

As they were purchased before the late extraordinary rise on cotton goods, he flatters himself it will be in his power to supply his customers not only with the best and most fashionable articles, but upon such terms as can hardly fail to merit the approbation of all his employers.

N. B. Millinary Work done in the neatest manner.

CALEDONIAN HUNT.

THE Meeting of the 5th current fixed their BALL for Thursday the 11th January, at the New Assembly Rooms, George Street, Edinburgh.

To prevent mistakes, the Members are requested to send an order in writing for their Tickets, which are ready to be delivered by the Stewards.

Each Member to receive two Ladies and one Gentleman's Ticket.

Members absent from the Ball may dispose of their Tickets to Members present; and at the same time, to demand a Ticket from the Council to supply their own place.

All Tickets not called for before the first of January, will be disposed of by the Presses, Treasurer, and Council.

No Servants to be admitted, but those belonging to the Gentlemen of the Hunt.

The Hunt to meet at Fortune's upon Wednesday the 10th of January, at four o'clock.

Lord Hailes, Presses.
Sir James Baird, Treasurer.
Sir William Maxwell,
Andrew Houston, Esq; of Jedonhall, } Councillors.
John M'Donald, Esq; of Clanronald,
William Hagart, Secretary.

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

TO be SOLD by Public Roup, on Monday first the 18th day of December current, within the house in Allan's Buildings, Heriot's entry, Grass Maket,

The whole HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE which belonged to a gentleman lately deceased, consisting of mounted beds, down and feather beds, blankets, carpets, tables, chairs, mirror glasses, dining and drawing room furniture, grates of different kinds, an excellent jack, a water jarr, and other kitchen furniture, &c.

The roup to begin at ten o'clock forenoon, and to continue till all is sold off. MrsBOWIE Auctioneer.

Roup of Household Furniture,

On TUESDAY the 19th inst.

TO be SOLD by public roup, in Gorge's Square, the WHOLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE belonging to the Countess of Sutherland, consisting of Mounted Beds, Down and Feather Beds, Blankets, Carpets, Mirrors, Drawers, Tables, Chairs, a complete set of *Living-room Furniture*, and an elegant set of *Drawing-room Furniture*, a handsome set of Indian Dressing Boxes, a Sedan Chair, Eight-day Clock, and a variety of Kitchen Furniture &c. &c.

The roup to begin each day at ten o'clock; the Drawing-room Furniture to be put up the first day half an hour after one. Mrs BOVIE, Auctioneer.

Household Furniture to be Sold,

In virtue of a warrant from the Barons of Exchequer in Scotland, in favours of William Young, writer in Edinburgh, Trustee for the deceased Thomas Nelson, vintner in Mid-Calder.

TO be SOLD by public Roup, upon Monday the 18th day of December curt. the whole Household Furniture, &c. which belonged to the deceased Thomas Nelson, consisting of a great variety of mounted beds, feathebeds, blankets, a large assortment of the very best bed and table linen, silver plate, variety of mirror and sconce glasses all sorts of kitchen furniture, an eight day clock, two post chaises, four good horses, harness for six horses, a quantity of old hay, and some old corn, one milch cow, several sorts of liquor and a large quantity of bottles.

The roup to begin at eleven o'clock forenoon and to continue till all be sold off. Mr SMITH Auctioneer,

N. B. As Mr Nicolson's house, offices, garden, park, and pleasure ground, are immediately to be sold by public roup, conform to an after Advertisement, it is entreed that any person or persons who wish to purchase, may form themselves as to the particulars, by applying to the said Mr Young at his house, Dunbar's Close, Lawn Market.

☞ Any person to whom the said Mr Nicoln stood indebted at the time of his death, are requested to lodge notes of their debts with Mr Young, and such as we indebted to Mr Nicolson will please make payment to MrYoung, who has power to discharge the same.

A Lime-Quarry and Mills to Let.

THERE is to be LET and entered to immediately, The LIMESTONE QUARRY and KILNS at Spindleford, in the parish of Pencaitland, and count of East Lothian. These Kilns are situated in the heart of a very fine country, in the immediate neighbourhood of coals; are capable of doing a great deal of business, and the demand for lime is extensive and certain. There is also to be LET, and entered to immediately, the MEAL and BARLEY MILLS of Spindleford.

Proposals may be given in to John Hamilton, Esq; the proprietor, at Pencaitland, near Haddington or to James Walker writer to the signet, at Edinburgh. And the overseer at Pencaitland will show the works.

Sale of Drungans adjourned.

THE SALE of the Lands of DRUNGAN and others, lying in the parish of Troqueer, and westwartry of Kirkcudbright, which was advertised for the 2d current, is adjourned to the 26th January 1787. Particulars will be inserted in a future advertisement.

SALE ADJOURNED.

AT DESIRE OF PERSONS INTENDING TO OFFER,

THE Sale of the Lands of KIRKMICHEL, GLENAE, and others, is adjourned to a fore day, of which proper notice will be given.

In the meantime, persons desirous of information about these lands, may apply to the proprietor at Kirkmichael house, or Mr John Hay Accountant, or John Tait junior, writer to the signet, Edinburgh. Mr Tait will show the title-deeds, current leases, &c. with a plan of the lands; and Mr Hay has power to sell by private bargain.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

A MEETING of the Creditors of JOHN NDRIE in Honeyhive, is to be held within the house of William Cream, vintner in Laurencekirk, upon the 30th day of December current, at twelve o'clock noon; upon affairs of importance

ASSEMBLY.

BY THE DESIRE
Of a Lady of the First Rank and Distinction,

THERE will be, at Mr DUNN's ROOMS, on Monday next, the 18th December 1786, AN ASSEMBLY. To begin at seven o'clock.

The profits are to be applied by the Managers of the Charity Workhouse, for the relief of the numerous Poor of this City.

Tickets (price Three Shillings) to be had of Mr Richard Richardson at the Exchange, Mr George Spankie, and at the Door of the Assembly Room.

As the Funds of the Charity Workhouse have never been adequate to the extensive purposes of the Institution, the Managers have been obliged to with-hold those temporary supplies which they were accustomed to bestow on objects of distress, not maintained in the Workhouse. It is hoped, upon this occasion, the Nobility and Gentry will patronise this attempt to procure some assistance to those who are left altogether destitute at this approaching winter season.

☞ If humane persons wish to give a little more than the usual price of Tickets to places of public entertainment, Mr Richardson, the Treasurer of the Charity Workhouse, [illegible] ready to receive for that purpose, at his shop, as well as at the Door of Mr Dunn's Rooms, on the evening of the Assembly.

By the Friendship, Ritchie, from London,

CHINA,

IN great Variety, and at very reduced prices—particularly,

Coloured and blue and white cups and saucers, all sizes, in sets and dozens	Blue and white long dishes, in sets and separate, all sizes
Best Nankeen ditto	Table, soup, and flat plates
Basons, sugar dishes, tea pots, milk pots, &c. separate	Supper and desert plates
Great choice of punch bowls, all sizes and colours	Variety of jars, in sets and single
	Nankeen bottles and basons, with many other articles.

SELLING BY GEORGE SPANKIE,
Facing the Tron Church;

who most respectfully informs the public, that this supply completes an assortment well worth their attention.——In the table china are a set of real Nankeen, consisting of one hundred and six pieces, remarkably cheap; the rest, all good patterns, can be formed into sets very complete, and much under common price.

WANTED,

By order of His Grace the DUKE of RICHMOND Master General, and Honourable BOARD of ORDNANCE,

To Complete the Artificer Company at Gibraltar,

VIZ.

GOOD STONE-CUTTERS, and able Workmen for Square, Moulded, or Groin Work.
MASONS,—Good Setters and Wallers.
BRICKLAYERS,—For Square, Arched, or Groin Work.
CARPENTERS,—Skilled in framing for Roofs, Floors, &c. and Joiner's Work for finishings.
SMITHS,—For the Fire, making or repairing Machines, and various Iron Work, and to judge the proper heat for Tempering Iron, &c. for tools or other service.

A Bounty of 3 l. 13 s. 6 d. will be given to each Recruit viz. One Guinea and a Crown on his being attested, and the remainder on his embarkation for Gibraltar.

None need apply under the age of twenty-one years, or upwards of forty, or who cannot have a good recommendation. The preference will be given to single men: but this is not meant to negative expert workmen, and men of good character, though married.

N. B. When disabled by age or infirmities, they will be entitled to a pension from the Honourable Board of Ordnance, of Sixpence *per diem*.

For particulars, enquire at the Engineer's Office, at the Castle, Edinburgh. HEN. RUDYERD,
EDINBURGH, *December* 2. 1786. } Capt. Commanding Engineer, North Britain.

JAMAICA and GRENADA RUM,

TO be SOLD by Auction at the warehouse of William Sibbald and Company, Merchants, Leith, upon Friday the 29th December, at eleven o'clock forenoon,

Sixty Puncheons of Rum in Bond.

ALSO

Thirty Bags of Fine Cotton, and
Ten Tons Fustick.

Samples may be seen at any time, by applying as above.

MAHOGANY.

TO be SOLD by Auction, on Thursday the 21st December current, at eleven o'clock forenoon, in Mr Nasmith's yard, next the Assembly Rooms, Leith,

One Hundred and Sixty-three LOGS of MAHOGANY, containing from ten thousand to fifteen thousand feet, to be put up in lots for the convenience of purchasers. Also, a Parcel of NORWAY SPOUTS.

Apply to James Whyte, Marble-Work, Leith.

N. B. The Mahogany measured by Mr Buchan, measurer in Leith.

LANDS IN AYR-SHIRE.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Tontine Tavern in Glasgow, on Wednesday the 24th day of January 1787, betwixt the hours of one and three in the afternoon,

All and whole the LANDS of KNOCKEWART, with the seat in the kirk of Ardrossan, with the tythes, parsonage and vicarage of the said lands, lying within the parish of Ardrossan, and shire of Ayr.

These lands consist of 354 acres or thereby, and are at present possessed by Robert Craig, at 116 l. yearly rent.—The tenant likewise pays the whole yearly burdens, without being allowed any deduction from the rent.

The progress of writs and articles of roup are to be seen in the hands of Thomas and Robert Grahame, writers in Glasgow; to whom any person wishing to make a private bargain for these lands may transmit his offers.

INTIMATION

To the CREDITORS of ALEXANDER REID, late distiller at Ford.

THAT a General Meeting of the Creditors of the said Alexander Reid, will, in terms of the statute, be held within John's Coffeehouse in Edinburgh, on Thursday the 15th day of February next, at twelve o'clock midday, being at the distance of a year from the date of the sequestration, to receive their first dividend of their debtor's effects, and to give such orders, as may appear necessary for the future management.

States of the effects that have been converted into money, and of the debts proven in terms of the statute, with a scheme dividing the funds recovered among the creditors who have produced their interests, are made up, and will lie in the hands of Adam Bruce writer in Edinburgh, the trustee on said sequestrated estate, till said general meeting, for inspection of the creditors, or their agents.

From the LONDON GAZETTE, *Dec.* 12.

By the Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of IRELAND,

A PROCLAMATION.

RUTLAND,

WHEREAS his Majeſty hath ſignified unto us his Royal pleaſure, that the Parliament of this kingdom, which now ſtands prorogued to Tueſday the twelfth day of December inſtant, be further prorogued to Thurſday the eighteenth day of January next, 1787, then to ſit for the diſpatch of buſineſs: We do therefore publiſh and declare, that the ſaid Parliament be, and accordingly the ſaid Parliament is hereby further prorogued to Thurſday the eighteenth day of January next, 1787, and the ſame ſhall be then held at Dublin, and ſit for the diſpatch of buſineſs: Whereof the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Commons in this preſent Parliament, are to take notice, and to give their attendance accordingly.

Given at his Majeſty's Caſtle of Dublin the 6th day of December, 1786.

By his Grace's command,
S. Hamilton.

GOD Save the KING.

Leghorn, November 24.

The body of Sir Horace Mann, late his Britannic Majeſty's Envoy Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at the Court of Tuſcany, (who died at Florence on the 16th inſtant) having been embalmed, [illegible] by water to this place, and depoſited in the national Chapel, in the Conſul's [illegible] it lay in ſtate. The members of the Factory were forward in ſhewing every mark of honour and diſtinction to the remains of their reſpected Miniſter, who for ſo long a ſeries of years had given the utmoſt attention to the protection of the national commerce, and to the maintenance of their privileges. The funeral ſervice was performed yeſterday afternoon, by the Rev. Mr Hall, Chaplain to the Factory, in the preſence of the Britiſh Conſul and Gentlemen of the Factory, all the other foreign Conſuls, travellers of diſtinction, Proteſtant merchants, commanders of Britiſh ſhips, and ſubjects of that nation. The corpſe was then carried in proceſſion through the town to the Mole, the Gentlemen all in mourning, with white ſcarfs and hat-bands, in the following order:

The Lieutenant of the Guard.
The Britiſh Vice-Conſul.
The Body, the Pall borne by Eight Members of the Factory.
Two Clergymen.
Three principal Servants, Mourners.
The Britiſh Conſul.
Conſuls of other Nations, Two and Two.
Gentlemenof theFactory, Two and Two.
Travellers of Diſtinction, Two and Two.
Proteſtant Foreign Merchants.
Engliſh Captains of Ships, &c. &c. &c.

The Conſul's, and a train of other coaches, cloſed the proceſſion, the ſtreets being lined by a party of Guards.

When the corpſe arrived at the Mole, it was placed in the Conſul's barge, covered with the pall, the colours hoiſted only half way up, (as was the caſe all day on board the numerous Engliſh ſhips here) and, accompanied by the Vice-Conſul, was towed off, and embarked on board the Iſabel, Captain Taylor, on her immediate departure for London.

LLOYD's LIST, *Dec.* 12.

THE Carnatie, Wilſon, from London to China, put into Port Praya Bay the 8th of May, to ſtop ſome leake, and was to ſail from thence the 13th ditto for China.

A brig from Philadelphia to Amſterdam is carried into Londonderry river in great diſtreſs.

The James, Knox, from Africa to Liverpool, is put into Scotland.

The William, Hayes, from Liverpool for Jamaica, is put into Belfaſt.

The Ellen, Scales, from Bahama Iſlands for Liverpool, was ſpoke off Torry, with loſs of mainmaſt, and leaky.

The Alexander, late Ayres, from South Carolina for Liverpool, ſailed the 25th of September, and put back the 2d Oct. leaky and damaged.

Captain Nairne, of the Friendſhip, from Quebec, took up the crew of the Hopewell, Preſcot, from Newfoundland, and not the Providence, Hancock, as reported.

The General Huth, North, from Bengal to Copenhagen, went on ſhore on the Brake, but was got off by the Ramſgate boats, with loſs of rudder, anchors, and cables, and very leaky, is now at anchor off the Foreland.

A French ſhip from Bourdeanx to St Domingo, which was to touch at Liſbon for tobacco, and a Portugueſe ſhip from Rio Janeiro, are totally loſt a few leagues from the bar of Liſbon.

The Notre Dame de Grace, Roberts, from Dunkirk to Bourdeaux, was loſt the 28th ult. on the coaſt of D'Arcachon; the Captain and two men drowned.

The Rebecca, Churchward, is loſt near Plymouth Garriſon, crew ſaved.

The Leviathan, Phillips, from the coaſt of Africa to Briſtol, is put into Galway in diſtreſs, after being out 18 weeks.

The Beginning, Craft, from Barbadoes to Newfoundland, was blown off the coaſt, and is arrived at Briſtol.

Captain M'Carthy, of the Prince of Aſturias, on the 21ſt ult. in lat. 37. 10. N. long. 11. 16. W. ſpoke the William and Charlotte, Lindey, and Commerce, Foot, from London for Jamaica, all well.

FROM THE LONDON PAPERS, *Dec.* 12.

Paris, Dec. 4. This capital is very much alarmed on account of ſeveral bills being apparently forged by perſons of credit, nay by bankers themſelves or their brokers. The Exchange is in a ſtate of confuſion, and this unforeſeen event has ſtopped the ordinary courſe of buſineſs. They pretend that drafts for upwards of two millions of livres have been forged by the alteration of a number in Roman letters. The drafts were for four hundred, and nineteen hundred livres. The hundred (in French *cent.*) was changed for a thouſand (in French *mille* or *mil*). The drawers are Meſſ. Bechade and Co. of Rouen, upon Meſſ. Turton and Ravel et Gallet de Santerre. The change or alteration was made after the draft was accepted. Turton and Co. refuſed to pay, and the utmoſt conſternation enſued; but when the forgery was diſcovered the merchants began to be eaſier, and with the utmoſt diligence proper perſons were diſpatched to ſecure the authors of the fraud. They ſay that one of them is taken, and that another has fled to England.

LONDON, *Dec.* 12.

Yeſterday died at his houſe in Cavendiſh-ſquare, the Right Hon. Thomas Villiers, Earl of Clarendon, and Lord Hyde, Joint Poſtmaſter General, a Lord of Trade, and one of his Majeſty's moſt Hon. Privy Council.

He is ſucceeded in title by his ſon, the Hon. Thomas Villiers Hyde, commonly called Lord Hyde.

By the death of the Earl of Clarendon, Lord Hyde's ſeat for Helſtone becomes vacant.

It is generally believed, that the red ribbon, vacant by the death of Sir Horace Mann, Bart. will be given to Lieutenant General Faucit.

It was yeſterday rumoured, that the indiſpoſition of the Marquis of Carmarthen had determined the noble Marquis to reſign his poſt of Miniſter for foreign affairs, previous to his departure for the ſouth of France.

It was alſo reported, that Lord Hawkeſbury is to ſucceed his Lordſhip.

A free trade will increaſe the power of France more than that of England, becauſe it will increaſe the ſhipping of France, but rather diminiſh that of England. The run or trip between France and England being exceedingly ſhort, articles of commerce may be tranſported from the one to the other without much trouble, time, or expence. If, therefore, the capital employed by the Engliſh merchants in other kinds of trade with other countries, ſhould be diverted into a trade with this neighbouring, this adjacent kingdom, then freightage, ſhipping, and ſeamen would be of courſe reduced in proportion.—But the ſhipping of France would not be proportionably reduced in like manner: for, in the firſt place, as the French can afford freightage at a cheaper rate than the Engliſh, their ſhips may probably be employed in preference to our own, in the commerce that is about to be opened between the two nations. In the ſecond place, the French will become the carriers of Engliſh goods to all the nations with which they are in alliance, and to all which, whether by ſea or land, they have any eaſy acceſs. They will ſend our ſerges and other cloths into all parts of the Turkiſh dominions: they will ſend our hard wares into Switzerland, Italy and Germany; and whatever they take from us, in general, they will circulate and vend in all nations.

The extenſion of commerce on the part of the French, has a natural and direct tendency to quicken manufactures, and to increaſe the capitals of merchants in England. But this extenſion of French commerce, though it encreaſes our manufactures, diminiſhes our navigation. The produce of our manufactures is carried into other countries, not in our own but French bottoms: the marine of France grows ſtronger; ours becomes weaker and weaker.

The Lords of the Admiralty have lately made an order for rebuilding the following men of war:

Torbay, of 90 guns, in the King's yard at Portſmouth.
Cambridge 74, King's yard at Plymouth.
Revenge 74, Kings yard at Deptford.
Ajax 74, Blackwal private yard.
Mars 74, Deptford Green ditto.
Dragon 74, Rotherhithe ditto.
Hercules 74, Graveſend ditto.
Dublin 74, Southampton ditto.
Tyger 74, Harwich, King's yard.
Oſnaburgh 74, uncertain.
Neptune 74, ditto.

All the keels are to be laid down in the courſe of next year; the Oſnaburgh is a new name, all the others are what is uſually ſtiled built on the keels of old ſhips, either broken up, condemned, or ſold out of the ſervice.

By advices from Vienna, dated Nov. 22, we learn, that he multiplicity of the ancient laws having produced the utmoſt inconvenience to the ſubjects of his imperial Majeſty, that amiable monarch has, with the aſſiſtance of his great officers of ſtate, compiled a new code of laws for the general good; in which all the old ſtatutes are abrogated.—This new collection of acts is to take place on the firſt of January next, and is (ſimilar to the Frederician Inſtitutes) compriſed in a ſmall octavo pamphlet of about 150 pages!

The ſame accounts mention, that the King of the Two Sicilies brother-in-law to the Emperor (with his Queen) intends to pay a viſit to his Imperial Majeſty early in the ſpring. This monarch takes his route from Naples through France, from whence he propoſes going to Venice, to be preſent at the feaſt of aſcenſion, which is expected to be remarkably brilliant. After ſtaying ſome time at Vienna, he is to accompany the Emperor to Bohemia, where a camp of 40000 men is to take place in the Plains of Iglaw, about the month of June next.

The Hague Gazette which arrived yeſterday, declares, that the Northern Provinces of the United States begin to be *tired of their independence.*—Great diſcontents prevail in Rhode Iſland, on account of Congreſs having extorted a fine of 5 per cent. upon all perſons who refuſe to accept their laſt paper money. The inhabitants of Maſſachuſetts-bay are in the ſame predicament, and the Aſſembly of New Hampſhire, repreſented by 49 towns and boroughs, have paſſed a number of acts, reprobating the proceedings of Congreſs in the warmeſt terms.

The whole continent is now attentive to the iſſue of a deadly conteſt between a Poliſh Count and the Prince of Naſſau. The cauſe of this quarrel, which muſt have been determined by this time, though too late for us to be in the poſſeſſion of the particulars, is thus related in private letters from Poland. In virtue of his denization, the Prince demanded admiſſion into one of the Dietines, the Preſident of which, the Count alluded to, obſerved to the Pollalar, that his right of Denizen not being twelvemonths ſtanding, his pretenſion was ill-founded, as he was entitled to a General Diet only. His Highneſs inſiſted, the Preſident firmly ſtood his ground, and ordered the attending guards to fire on the Prince if he did not inſtantly retire, which he at laſt conſented to do but not without caſting on the Preſident ſome very ſevere reflections.

This conteſt being thus over, the Count, after having obſerved to the aſſembly, that it was in ſupport of their rights that he had oppoſed the intruder; added, that he had been perſonally inſulted, and that public duels in ſuch caſes being permitted by the laws of Poland, he would claim the privilege. In conſequence, a formal challenge was ſent to the Prince, who readily accepted of it. This is the ſame nobleman who was before Gibraltar, and behaved with ſo much intrepidity when the floating batteries were deſtroyed. He is highly ſpoken of for his perſonal bravery, which he manifeſted at ſo early a period as his ſixteenth year, when being with Monſieur de Bougainville in his expedition round the world, he ſlew a lion in Africa in the preſence of all his companions. On the other hand his antagoniſt is no leſs renowned by the multiplicity of the duels he has fought, and always with the greateſt ſucceſs. It is ſaid that the two adverſaries are each to be armed with a dagger and twelve piſtols, for the death of either of the combatants can alone put an end to the dreadful encounter.

It is to be feared, that very diſaſtrous accounts will be received of the effects of the late and preſent moſt tempeſtuous weather. This morning at nine o'clock, one of the back-houſes in Great Wild-ſtreet, between Wild-court and Little Wild-ſtreet, was ſuddenly thrown down, in conſequence of which calamity, a number of poor, but induſtrious perſons have been reduced to the moſt deplorable miſery.

About eight o'clock on Wedneſday morning laſt, the St Auſtle, a Corniſh ſloop, Captain Walter Palmer, from Eaſt Loe, laden with oats, barley, and ſundry other articles of merchandize, was driven on ſhore about a mile to the weſt Newhaven pier, and in a ſhort time afterwards was daſhed all to pieces. The Captain and crew, four in number, quitted the wreck in time to ſave themſelves, but a young couple, paſſengers, who could not be prevailed on to leave the veſſel, unhappily periſhed. The poor unfortunate lady, who was niece to Lord Courtney, ſome time after the ſloop ſtruck, preſented herſelf in a ſituation, which, if poſſible, added horror to the ſcene, for ſhe appeared ſuſpended by the heels in the rigging, which had entangled her, till the wreck went to pieces, when the mercileſs ocean overwhelmed her, and ſhe was ſeen no more.

The captain ſays, ſo averſe was Mr Giles, (that being his name) who periſhed, to leaving the wreck, that after he and his crew had got ſafe to land, he laſhed himſelf to a rope and ſwam again to the wreck, and having boarded her, faſtened a rope round Mrs Giles, for the purpoſe of having her hauled aſhore; but her huſband immediately caſt it off again, and exclaimed, "My dear Bella, don't "leave me!" She ſtaid! Mr Giles's body has been ſince found, and was yeſterday evening interred in Newhaven church-yard. Diligent ſearch was made after the body of Mrs Giles, in order that ſhe might be buried with her huſband, but without effect.

A melancholy accident attended the above wreck from the land:—A young man, a blackſmith, who worked for Mr Faulkner at the Hoddern, and had conſented to be let down the cliff an hundred and forty feet high, to aſſiſt the perſons in ſaving their lives from the wreck, had the misfortune to loſe his own life, owing to the rope's breaking as he was hauling up again, when he fell to the bottom, and was daſhed to pieces.

The Corniſh ſailors were treated with the greateſt humanity at Newhaven, where they were relieved by a very handſome donation from Stamner.

On Sunday, the body of a well-dreſſed man, in a naval uniform, was taken out of a pond in one of the fields near the Nag's-head in Hackney-road. He had, it ſeems, been the day before at the Nag's-head, and took the refreſhment of ſome beer and bread and cheeſe, and on paying the landlady for the ſame, aſked her if ſhe could furniſh him with a piece of cord, who, replying in the negative, directed him to a ſhop near at hand to buy ſome. Previous to leaving the houſe, he called for pen, ink, and paper, and writing a direction, pinned it to his great coat, which he gave to the landlay, deſiring her, if he did not return the next day, to ſend it home as directed, after which he took his leave of the people of the houſe, and they never heard of him until next day, when, on the body being diſcovered, they knew him to be the ſame perſon.

Accounts from Amiens, dated December 1. mention, that the Duke of Orleans has lately ſettled a colony of weavers near that ancient city.—His Highneſs has alſo eſtabliſhed cotton manufactories at Orleans, Charters, and other parts of his domain.—This popular nobleman has funded out of his eſtates an annual ſum of 150,000 livres for the relief of gentlemen of family, who ſtand in need of aſſiſtance.—He has eſtabliſhed ſeveral ſchools for the education of youth of both ſexes, and has made a new canal, which will be of the utmoſt conſequence to the internal commerce of the country.

Laſt night Sir Joſhua Rynolds gave a lecture upon the theory of painting at the Royal Academy in the Strand. The audience was more numerous than ever known upon a ſimilar occaſion. The gold medals were then adjudged and diſtributed to the different candidates: The firſt medal, value 20l. for the beſt hiſtorical painting on ſubjects from Milton's Paradiſe Loſt, was given to Mr Atoine; the ſecond medal, for the beſt figure in *Terra Cotta*, was preſented to a young foreign artiſt; and the third, for Academy figures, was alſo given to a ſtranger. A ſtriking proof of the impartial and praiſe-worthy conduct of the Preſident and Council. Several ſilver medals were then allotted to the ſtudents for their different pieces in architecture, &c.

A letter from Carliſle, dated the 9th inſtant, ſays, "At the cloſe of the poll for a member of Parliament for this city, in the room of Lord Surrey, now Duke of Norfolk, there appeared

		In all
For Rowland Stephenſon, Eſq.		180
E. Knubley, Eſq.	—	145
Majority for R. Stephenſon, Eſq.		35

PRICE of STOCKS, Dec. 12.

Bank Stock, —	India Stock, —
3 per cent. red. 73¼ a ⅜ a ½.	Ditto Ann. —
3 per cent. con. ſhut.	Ditto Bonds, —
3 per cent. 1726, —	South Sea Stock, —
4 per cent. con. 92¼ a ⅜ a ½.	Old. Ann. 73¼ a ⅜.
5 per cent. ſhut.	New ditto, —
Ditto Short, 1777, —	3 per cent. 1751, —
Bank Long Ann. 21 15-16ths a 22.	New Navy 2½.
Ditto 1778, 1779, 13 9-16ths a ⅝ a ¾.	Lottery Tickets, 14l. 19s. 6d. a 15l.
	Scrip. 3 per cent. —
	Old. Ann. —
	Exch. Bills, —

WIND AT DEAL, Dec. 11. S. S. W.

EDINBURGH.

Married, the 14th current, David Kinloch of Gourdie, Eſq; to Miſs Iſabella Milne, eldeſt daughter of Thomas Milne of Milnefield, Eſq;

On Monday laſt, was married here, Lieutenant Lockhart of the 30th regiment, to Miſs Catharine Gibſon, daughter of the late Rev. Mr John Gibſon, miniſter of St Cuthberts.

We hear, that, at the monthly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce and Manufactures for Edinburgh, on Wedneſday laſt, the preſent ſtate of the Corn Laws was under their conſideration, when it appeared, that the opening or ſhutting the ports in Scotland by the prices in the county of Edinburgh, as mentioned in many late publications, was an idea that never was adopted by the Chamber, and was conſidered by the meeting as a meaſure highly improper.

The gentlemen manufacturers do not ſeem to be aware of the conſequences of a free exportation and importation of meal and grain, as mentioned in many of their reſolutions. In many years, if a free exportation was allowed, the country might ſtarve.

Mr James Gray, ſhipmaſter, is appointed deputy-ſhoremaſter at Leith, in place of Mr James Hamilton, who retires.

We hear from Inverkeithing, that the annual ploughing by the Inverkeithing Farmer Club, took place there lately, upon a field of Mr Robert Walker's at Middlebank, where 22 ploughs appeared, and competed for the premiums. Many more ploughs would have appeared, but, by the ſeverity of the froſt the night before, many of the members of the Club did not think of ſending their ploughs to the field; and, for the ſame reaſon, it was preſumed, the judges named by the Club did not attend. In conſequence of which, the Gentlemen preſent agreed, that their reſpective ploughmen ſhould name their judges, which they accordingly did in making choice of Mr John Couſton, Mr James Currie, and Mr James Glen, for that purpoſe. Theſe Gentlemen having carefully inſpected the field, reported to the Club, that William Betſon, ſervant to Mr Robert Walker, Middlebank, was entitled to the firſt premium; Edward Cunningham, ſervant to ſaid Mr Robert Walker, to the ſecond; William Bawd, ſervant to Mr William Walker, Orchardhead, to the third; and James Scott, ſervant to Mr James Anderſon, Pittathrough, to the fourth. The Judges and Gentlemen preſent expreſſed their higheſt approbation of the whole performance.

The very valuable diſcovery of extracting tar from coals, made by the Earl of Dundonald, promiſes to be a very great advantage to this country. Repeated experiments have been made in Holland, where the ſea worm makes great ravages in ſhips. The timber that has been payed with the coal tar has uniformly remained undiſſolved by the water, and the worms have made no track upon it; whereas the timber that was payed at the ſame time with common tar, or painted with white lead or oil, has been deſtroyed by the ſea worm. This important diſcovery, when we ſee it adopted by foreign nations, ſurely deſerves the warmeſt encouragement from thoſe who have the management of the Britiſh navy, as well as from owners and maſters of private ſhips.

By order of the Governor and Directors of the MUSICAL SOCIETY,—The General Meeting of ſaid Society is to be held on Monday the 18th December, at one o'clock afternoon, in St Cecilia's Hall, before which Meeting, each Member will pleaſe pay into Thomas Sanderſon, at his ſhop Luckenbooths, the Collector, his contribution of two Guineas for the uſe of the Society, otherwiſe to forfeit his place in the Society, in terms of the conſtitution.

Extract of a letter from Perth, Dec. 17.

"Laſt night the Cupar poſt, returning from Cupar with his bags for this place, was attacked by three men, about three miles from this place; they ſtruck him from his horſe, demanded his money, and, on getting none, they bruiſed and ſtruck him ſeverely. It is uncertain whether they knew him to be the poſt, or if their aim was money, which he frequently has occaſion to carry in his pocket, but they did not attempt the bag."

Extract of a letter from Glaſgow, Dec. 13.

"On Saturday laſt, the Magiſtrates of this city purchaſed a large piece of garden ground on the ſouth ſide of St Andrew's church. By this purchaſe, they will have it in their power to execute that long intended plan of building an elegant ſquare around ſaid church. We hear that ſeveral perſons intend feuing ſteadings, and to begin building as ſoon as the ſeaſon permits. This plan, when finiſhed, will be a very great ornament to the city.

"Yeſterday, a melancholy ſcene took place in the Tron Church in this city, during divine ſervice: A woman having gone there to have her child baptized (her huſband being dead), accompanied by a neighbour woman, who carried the child,—the miniſter, after ſermon, deſired the child to be preſented; when, alas! it was found to be dead!—The diſtreſs of the poor mother on this occaſion is eaſier to be felt than deſcribed."

Extract of a letter from Philadelphia, Aug. 10.

"The Rev. Dr Charles Niſbet has now entirely recovered his health, and made a very ſenſible addreſs to the ſtudents of Dickenſon College, on being re-elected Principal, which office he had reſigned on account of his bad ſtate of health.

"There is juſt arrived here about three hundred

Indians with their wives and children. They assembled, and their Chief made the following speech to our people, which will give you some idea of the simplicity of these savages:

"*Brethren*,

"We have come a great way in behalf of our wives and children; it is on their behalf we tread this ground;—the Great Man above has given us a bright day to meet our brothers. We have come a great way, and it is to make bright the chain of amity betwixt us. *Brothers*, We are poor, wretchedly poor; give us something to cover us. A chief among us has seen a saddle, which he wants. Our young men passing through the town have smelled whiskey; after smelling, we shall go away unhappy without tasting;—Brothers, give us a keg."

ANSWER *by an* OFFICER.

"*Brothers*,

"We are glad to see you, and to establish friendship; as the streams in our country and in your's, though so far apart, run always, so let your friendship and ours be as perpetual. You are poor, and we also are poor. We have had a long war with the Great King beyond the water, whose people came over into this country, burnt our houses, and took away a great part of our clothing. We followed and killed them all; but before we had come up with them, they had torn and burnt the blankets they had taken from us. We have not yet had time to make a great number more. We are strong in numbers; but, like you, we are poor, but of what we have we will give you a part. Brothers, when you go home, hunt and collect fur, and when you come to us bring it with you; in return for which, our traders will be able to give you blankets and other things.—Brothers, while you are with us, be sober, and drink little whiskey, lest you do amiss, and be ashamed of it.—The great sun which you see above you, when he is thirsty, takes the end of a cloud and licks water out of it. Brothers, do you drink watet. We will give you a few kegs of whiskey."

To the Printer of the Caledonian Mercury.

SIR,

AS what I send inclosed serves to show from how trifling an origin disputes, attended by the most fatal consequences, will arise, and may perhaps tend, in some measure, to ridicule the fashionable, but barbarous practice of Duelling, the giving it a place in your useful paper will greatly oblige,

Sir, your most obedient servant,

A CONSTANT READER.

HAPPENING to be in Dublin lately, and being in a company where there was one Mr M—— and one Mr W——, Mr M—— was amusing himself by humming over part of a song in these words:

'Tis the bud of the Rose,
In the morning that blows,
Impearl'd with the Dew.

Mr M—— happening to be possessed of a good responsible nose, and having a frequent custom of blowing it, Mr W—— used the freedom to turn the lines thus—

'Tis your beak of a Nose,
In the morning that blows,
Impearl'd with the Dew.

Upon these words being pronounced, Mr M. immediately left the company, and when Mr W. returned to his lodgings he found a challenge on his table, requesting of him to meet Mr M. at a certain place, at half past eight next morning. Mr W. immediately called upon one of the gentlemen who had been in the company, and asked the favour of him to be his second, to which he consented. Next morning Mr W. and his second repaired to the place at the time specified, where they found Mr M. at the pointed time, with his second.

The ceremony of measuring the ground being adjusted, and both parties ready, Mr M. fired first, and narrowly missed; upon which Mr W. fired, and shot Mr M. through the body, of which he immediately expired.

The Ann, Boyle, is arrived at Virginia, from Clyde.
Nancy, Kelso, at ditto, from ditto.
Young, Wylie, at North Carolina, from ditto.
Jeanie, Simson, at Rotterdam, from ditto.
Jenny, Marshall, at ditto, from ditto.
Betsey, Reeve, at ditto, from ditto.
William and Mary, Dodd, at ditto, from Maryland.
Betsey, Brown, at ditto, from ditto.
Elizabeth, Houstoun, at the West Indies, from North Carolina.
Lord Ankerville, Harvie, at Virginia, from Quebec.
Thetis, Legat, at Morlaix, from Virginia.
Sally, King, at Liverpool, from New York.
ARRIVED AT LEITH, Dec. 15. Joseph and Son, Wood, from Inverkeithing, with coals; Ann, M'Donald, from Inverkeithing, with soap; Elspeth, Reid, from Alloa, with tiles; Jean, Farmer, from Borrowstounness, with wood; three sloops with coals.
SAILED, Katharine and Isobel, Lyell, for Perth, with goods; Ketty, M'Intosh, for Newcastle, with ditto.

This day is Published,
Price 1 s. 10 d. bound in red leather,
THE EDINBURGH ALMANACK,
AND
Scots Register for 1787,
The Calculations by James Dinwiddie, A. M.
Printed and sold by David Ramsay, Old Fish-market Close.
Of whom may be had, price only 1 *s.* 6 *d. bound,*
THE SCOTS REGISTER FOR 1787,
Containing all the Lists except the Calculations.

This day is published,
Large and Small Copies of The
Town and Country Almanack,
For the year 1787.
With a variety of New Lists, and an Appendix containing a complete Table of Excise and Stamp Duties, and other useful articles.
The CALCULATIONS by JAMES DINWIDDIE, A. M.
Orders addressed to T. RUDDIMAN and Company will be punctually answered; and booksellers in the west country, will be supplied by James Duncan bookseller, Trongate, Glasgow.

BRECHINE BRIDGE.

THESE are intimating to the public, that Brechine Bridge is now rendered passable for carriages of every kind.

Brechine, 15th Dec. 1786.

This Day is Published,
By JOHN ROBERTSON,
At his Printing Office, Old Fishmarket Close,
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And Sold by all the Booksellers in Scotland,
THE
UNIVERSAL SCOTS ALMANACK,
FOR 1787.
The Calculations by *JAMES DINWIDDIE*, A. M.
This Almanack is embellished with
A MAP OF SCOTLAND,
Engraved on purpose for the Work;
WITH THE
PRINCIPAL ROADS,
From the latest Surveys:
In which not only the principal towns, but all the different stages are particularly set down, with the exact number of statute miles betwixt each.
The Lists this year are very full, and every possible attention has been paid to render them correct.
The Booksellers in the West Country may apply to Messrs J. & M. Robertson, Booksellers, Glasgow.

MR MOIR, after his necessary recess, by being burnt out of Forrester's Wynd, will, on Monday next, open his School in Libberton's Wynd, Bruce's Land, second door, and will there teach his different Classes as formerly.

A CLERK.

WANTED for a Business in the country, A YOUNG MAN who has had some experience as a CLERK. A knowledge of Land-surveying, and country-affairs, will render him the more acceptable. None need apply, but such as can be well recommended. Enquire at the Printing Office.
Not to be repeated.

ATTORNEY TAX.

WHEREAS notwithstanding of former advertisements, many persons who have practised as Agents, Solicitors, Attorneys, or Procurators in courts of justice in Scotland, since the 1st day of November 1785, have neglected to take out stamped certificates (in terms of the statute 25th of the King, cap. 80.) for the year commencing on the said 1st day of November 1785, or for the current year, and have also neglected to deliver to the proper officers in the respective courts where they so practise stamped memorandums or minutes of their authority, as directed by the statute: And whereas several persons who have practised as Agents, Solicitors, Attorneys, or Procurators in said courts, during the period aforesaid, have only taken out certificates for the current year—Intimation is therefore made to all such persons, that if they do not immediately comply with the law in obtaining Certificates for the whole time they have acted, and in delivering memorandums, prosecutions will be commenced against them, for recovery of the statutory penalties.
These prosecutions will be commenced in the Court of Session, or Court of Exchequer, against transgressors residing in the shire of Edinburgh, on Saturday the 23d instant; and the like prosecutions will be commenced against transgressors residing in other places on Thursday the 4th January next; and no farther notice will be given.
Stamp-Office, Edinburgh, 15th December 1786. } ALEX. MENZIES Collector.
Not to be repeated.

NOTICE.

To the CREDITORS of ROBERT LAIDLAW, merchant in Edinburgh.

THAT in terms of an act of Parliament, of the 23d of his present Majesty, upon the application of the said Robert Laidlaw, with concurrence of Messrs Donald Smith and Company, bankers in Edinburgh, the Court of Session, upon the 14th December current, sequestrated the said Robert Laidlaw's whole real and personal Estate, and appointed his Creditors to meet at Edinburgh, upon Saturday the 23d December current, in the Old Exchange Coffeehouse, at ten o'clock forenoon, in order to name an interim factor upon said sequestrated estate; and granted commission to the sheriff depute of Edinburgh, and his substitutes, or to any of the Magistrates of Edinburgh, and failing of them, any of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace, to attend the said meeting of creditors, and to receive productions of their grounds of debt with oaths of verity thereon, and to sign the minutes of the creditors; all as directed by the said act of Parliament. —Of all which, due intimation is hereby given to all concerned.

NOTICE.

THE Trustee for the Creditors of ADAM WATT, late merchant in Kelso, hereby gives notice, that the third annual meeting, in terms of the act of Parliament, is to be held within the house of George Horsington, innkeeper in Kelso, on Monday the 12th day of February 1787, at twelve o'clock noon, when the time of sale, and upset price of the heritable subjects which belonged to the deceased John Watt, now pertaining to the creditors by decreet of the Court of Session, and other matters of consequence, will fall to be considered and determined upon. THOS FAIR.

NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of LIEUTENANT ALEXANDER FRASER, at Bunchegaire, a Drover.

THAT in virtue of the statute, which passed in the 23d year of the reign of his present Majesty, entitled, "An act for rendering the payment of Creditors more e-"qual and expeditious, in that part of Great Britain called "Scotland," &c.—The Lords of Council and Session, upon the application of Donald Fraser of Belloan, a Creditor of the said Lieutenant Alexander Fraser, to the extent required by the statute, by interlocutor of the 15th day of December current, sequestrated the whole real and personal estate of the said Lieutenant Alexander Fraser, wherever situated, and appointed his Creditors to meet within the house of George Beverly, vintner in Inverness, upon the 29th day of December current, at twelve o'clock noon, to name an interim factor upon the sequestrated estate; and granted warrant and commission to the Sheriff-depute of Inverness, or his Substitutes; or to any of the Magistrates of Inverness, or Justice of Peace of the county, to attend the said meeting of Creditors, and to receive their grounds of debt, with the oaths required by the statute thereon; and ordained intimation to be made in the Caledonian Mercury and Edinburgh Evening Courant, of the sequestration awarded against the said Lieutenant Alexander Fraser, and the time and place appointed for the meeting of his Creditors.—In obedience to which, the present intimation is hereby given.
Edinburgh, Dec. 16. 1786.

ARGYLE-SHIRE.

TO be SOLD, the Lands of ACHACHARK and GARVACHY, lying in the parish of Campbeltown, and sheriffdom of Argyle. These lands consist of about 293 acres, mostly arable, lie within a mile of a lime quarry, at the same distance from the colliery of Drumlemmon, and within three miles of the Burgh of Campbeltown; and extend to L. 103: 1: 5. of free rent.
The title-deeds, rental, and leases are to be seen in the hands of James Ferrier, writer to the siget, Edinburgh.

AT LEITH—FOR LONDON,

THE MARY,
JOHN HAY Master,
Now taking in goods in Leith harbour, and will sail the 19th of December 1786.
This ship was built on purpose for the trade; is neatly fitted up for passengers, and good usage may be depended on.
The Master to be spoke with at the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, or at Mrs Hay's, foot of Queen-street, Leith.

By Particular Desire.
THEATRE-ROYAL.
For the BENEFIT of
SIGNIOR SCALIONI,
On MONDAY Evening, December 18, 1786,
WILL BE EXHIBITED,
A Variety of Performances,
By A SELECT COMPANY from
SADLERS WELLS,
VIZ.
TIGHT ROPE DANCING,
By THE LITTLE DEVIL,
THE LITTLE PEIRE,
MADAME ROMAIN,
AND LA BELLA ESPAGNIOLA.
Clown, by PIETRO BOLOGNA.
The LITTLE DEVIL will dance on the Rope with Wooden Shoes; MADAME ROMAIN will dance on the Rope, and Play on Two Flutes; LA BELLA ESPAGNIOLA will dance on the Rope, with Baskets on her Feet; likewise perform several manœuvres on the Rope with a Table, Chair, and Board; and, without the pole, will perform several manœuvres with a Hat, and dance the Fandango with Castinets.
TUMBLING,
By the inimitable
LITTLE DEVIL,
Mr LAURENCE,
Mr FAIRBROTHER,
Mr BALMAT,
And Signor PIETRE BOLOGNA.
Particularly, The Little Devil will throw a Summerset over the Elevated Lustres; and likewise
Through a FIRE-BALLOON.
Signor PIETRO BOLOGNA
Will exhibit some new Comic and entertaining performances
ON THE SLACK WIRE.
He will balance a Straw, a Peacock's Feather, display Two Flags, and beat Two Drums, in a manner never attempted by any one but himself.
A COMIC SONG, By Mr HERMAN.
To which will be added, (*for* EIGHT)
A NEW PANTOMIME, called, The
LOVERS OF COLUMBINE;
OR, A
TRICK OF THE DEVIL.
With Additions and Variations.
Harlequin, by THE LITTLE DEVIL;
Pantaloon, Mr FAIRBROTHER;
French Servant, Mr BALMAT;
Magician, Mr HARMAN;
Clown, Signor PIETRO BOLOGNA;
Lover, MADAME ROMAINE;
And Columbine, LA BELLA ESPAGNIOLA.
After which,
SIGNIOR SCALIONI,
Will exhibit with the Original, surprising
DANCING DOGS,
PARTICULARLY,
GENERAL JACKCOO,
AND
THE LITTLE DESERTER,
Will be tried by a Court Martial, condemned, and shot by a party of his Regiment.
The whole to conclude with the wonderful exertion of
TWO ENGLISH BULL-DOGS,
Who will ascend in a PARACHUTE,
Surrounded by FIRE-WORKS.
Tickets may be had, and places for the boxes taken, at the Office of the Theatre.
Pit and Boxes 3 s. First Gallery 2 s. Second Gallery 1 s.
N. B. The Theatre at Glasgow will be opened in the course of next week, with the Company from Sadlers Wells;
AND,
On SATURDAY the 13th of JANUARY 1787,
The THEATRICAL REPRESENTATIONS will commence for the Season, as usual,
At the THEATRE-ROYAL, EDINBURGH.

PANTHEON.

ON THURSDAY next the 21st current, the Society of the Pantheon, instituted 23d December 1773, for improvement in public Speaking, and relief to Literary Merit in distress, now removed from Mary's Chapel, Niddry's Wynd, to *St Andrew's Chapel*, foot of Carrubber's Close, will meet, and debate the following question.

"Are Mankind most excited to the attainment of Lite-"rary acquisitions, from the hope of *Honour, Profit*, or *Amuse-*"*ment*?"

Doors to be open at half past seven.
The Debate to begin at eight in the evening precisely.
Gentlemens Tickets, price 6 d. each, to be had at *Mr Brown's* Print and Stationary Shop, Bridge Street, where Ladies Tickets, to a certain number, may be had *gratis*.
To be continued every Thursday.—States of the questions to be found at the Ticket Office on the Saturday after each Debate.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within John's Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 24th day of January next, betwixt the hours of five and six afternoon,
That DWELLING-HOUSE, near the head of Forrester's Wynd in Edinburgh, which belonged to, and was possessed by the late Mr Leonard Urquhart writer to the signet, and which consists of six fire rooms, four light closets, kitchen, two cellars, and other conveniencies.—The whole are insured upon the old plan with the Edinburgh Friendly Insurance, and the premium is paid up.
The purchaser's entry to be at Whitsunday next, or sooner, if agreeable.
The progress and conditions of sale may be seen by applying to Charles Stewart, writer in Edinburgh, with whom, all persons who have claims upon Mr Urquhart, are desired to lodge notes of the same; and those who are debtors to him will order payment, he having powers to discharge them.

INN at FORFAR.

WILLIAM MONRO vintner in Forfar, returns his grateful thanks to the Noblemen and Gentlemen who were pleased to frequent his house at Glammis, begs leave to inform them, that he has now given up that Inn, and fitted up a large and commodious one at Forfar, where he hopes for a continuation of the public favour, as every possible attention shall be paid to those who frequent this house. And travellers will please to observe, that stopping at Forfar does not make the stage from that to Cupar longer than the stage from Glammis to Brechin.
N. B. Neat Post-Chaises, &c. on the shortest not.

SALE OF THE
Sloop Glasgow Packet of Montrose.

TO be SOLD by roup, within the house of George Bean, vintner in Montrose, upon Wednesday the 3d day of January next, betwixt the hours of three and four afternoon,

THE SLOOP
GLASGOW PACKET
OF MONTROSE,
Sixty tons burden.—She is a strong well built vessel, only two years old, well found, and of small draught of water, and exceedingly well calculated either for the coasting or fishing trade.
Charles Thomson, writer in Montrose, will show the inventory and conditions of sale.

HAY TO BE SOLD,

AT the farm of Newhouse near Dalmahoy, several thousand STONES of HAY of this year's Crop, mixed with rye grass and clover seeds, and a very small part natural grass, all in good condition, none of it being threshed.—Any person inclining to purchase the same, may apply to Alexander Greig, fleshcr in Edinburgh, the present tenant of Newhouse; as the price of said hay will depend upon the purchasers bargain for the delivery of the same.

SALE OF PRESTONHALL.
BY ADJOURNMENT,
At the desire of persons intending to offer.

TO be SOLD by auction, within the Exchange Coffeehouse of Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 24th day of January 1787, between the hours of six and seven afternoon,
The LANDS and BARONY of PRESTONHALL, lying within the parish of Cranstown and shire of Mid-Lothian, within ten measured miles of Edinburgh, and in the neighbourhood of the great turnpike-road leading from thence to Coldstream. This estate contains more than 720 English acres, all inclosed and subdivided with thriving hedges and stripes of planting. The inclosures are in general well watered. The greatest part of the lands has, for many years, been in the natural possession of the proprietor; and, having been long in pasture, they are now in very good heart. There is a valuable coal, level free, within the estate, with a servitude of limestone upon a neighbouring property, whereby the means of improvement are easily attained. There is full grown timber upon the estate, to a considerable value, and upwards of 75 acres of young thriving wood. There is a large commodious mansion-house, and offices of every kind upon the premisses, all in good repair, and sufficient to accommodate any family; and, in one of the offices there is a hot and cold bath, with a dressing room adjoining. There are also two exceeding good pigeon-cotes, very well stocked. The gardens are extensive, and the fruit-walls in good bearing. The lowest yearly value of this estate, estimated by persons of skill and character, exceeds 800 l. Sterling, exclusive of the coal. The estate holds blench of the Crown; stands valued in the cess-books at 950 l. Scots, and the proprietor has right to the vicloe.
The progress of writs, and conditions of sale, with a survey of the estate, and estimates of the annual value, are to be seen in the hands of Charles Gordon writer to the signet, at his house in St John's Street, Edinburgh. Any person intending to purchase, may apply for particulars to the said Charles Gordon, who has powers to conclude a private bargain before the roup.

By Adjournment.
JUDICIAL SALE OF LANDS
IN THE SHIRE OF ABERDEEN.

To be Sold, within the Parliament or New Session House of Edinburgh, before the Lord Ordinary on the Bills, upon Friday the 26th day of January 1787, between the hours of four and five in the afternoon,
THE remaining Part of the Lands and Estate which belonged to ALEXR. ACHYNDACHY of Kincraigie, viz.
The Town and Lands of Cividly, Meiklehaugh, Muirhead, Auchreadachy, and Bediesthillock—the Lands of Old Keig, and Mill thereof, with the reinds and pertinents—all lying within the parish of Keig and sheriffdom of Aberdeen.
The proven yearly rent of these lands is 129l. 11s. 2d 1-12th Sterling, which, at twenty-five years purchase, is
L. 3238 19 10 4-12ths
These lands are situated in a rich country, are capable of great improvement, and, being out of lease at present, a considerable rise of rent may be expected
The title-deeds, rental, plan, and measurement of the lands, and articles of roup, may be seen in the hands of George Kirkpatrick, depute clerk of Session; and for further information application may be made to John Gordon, clerk to the signet, agent in the sale, or to William Nicoll, advocate in Aberdeen.

The following letter appeared in the London Gazette of Tuesday the 31st of October last.

Chipping Norton, *Oct.* 9. 1786.

"Esteemed Friend,

THY Cordial is here in estimation, and has done great good, but one particular case I am induced to relate; not that I have the gentleman's authority, neither do I suppose he would have his name appear; he has however spoke of it in company, which has greatly enhanced its sale.

"The gentleman alluded to was confined to his bed in the most excruciating pain, with the gout in his head, stomach, and limbs, attended by his apothecary, who perceiving the case dangerous, thought proper to call to his assistance an eminent physician, who pronounced the patient could not live twenty-four hours; of which being made acquainted, he desired his wife, *at a forlorn hope*, to send to my house for a bottle of Oriental Vegetable Cordial; and though these gentlemen said it could do him no good, he found essential relief by the first dose, and by repeating it every third hour, for half a dozen doses, was enabled to walk about his room, and the next day to make his appearance about town. At every attack of this disease since, he has had recourse to the same remedy, with the same success.

"I can also add, that I have known pregnant women receive instantaneous relief in fits of the cholic, by the use of this cordial.

"I am, with respect, thy friend,

"RD. WAGSTAFFE."

To Mr B. CORNWELL, London.

*** The extraordinary influence that the ORIENTAL VEGETABLE CORDIAL imparts to the stomach, from its tonic and invigorating qualities, is strongly exemplified by the immediate effects produced in taking it when the stomach is overloaded with food, nauseated with surfeit, or debilitated by intemperance.
To constitutionally weak stomachs it affords a pleasing sensation; it accelerates the process of digestion, corrects crudities, and removes the cholic and flatulencies; it diffuses a genial warmth that cherishes the animal spirits, and takes away the listlessness and langour that so greatly embitters the hours of nervous people; and the unerring test of experience has confirmed its utility.
☞ Sold by Mr B. Cornwell, Conduit-Street, Hanover-Square, in bottles at 5 s. each, duty included, and by Messrs HUSBAND, ELDER, and CO. Edinburgh.

LANDS TO BE SOLD,
In the County of Berwick and Parish of Coldingham,
To be SOLD by Private Bargain,

THE Lands and Estate of MOORHALL, formerly part of the Lands of HILLEND, containing 164½ acres, English measure, all inclosed and subdivided with ditch and hedge. The lands are in the possession of the proprietor, all improved, pleasantly situated, and command a fine prospect of the country. They lie just upon the post road, within two miles of Coldingham, nine miles of Berwick-upon-Tweed, and three miles of Eyemouth, where plenty of lime is to be had at a reasonable price. There is a very neat mansion-house on the estate, with a complete set of offices. The lands hold of Mr Home of Wedderburn, and pay an yearly feu-duty of 7 d. Sterling.
At the same time will be exposed to sale,
What remains to run of an ANNUITY of 140 l. Sterling yearly, payable at two terms in the year, Candlemas and Lammas, by equal portions, for twenty years, the first payment of which commenced at Candlemas 1772.
For particulars, apply to John Constable, attorney in Berwick, the proprietor; or to George Johnston, writer to the signet, corner of Crichton-street, Edinburgh; who have power to conclude a bargain, and in whose hands the title deeds of the lands may be seen.

NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of CHARLES CUMING,
Merchant in Inverneſs.

A General Meeting of the ſaid Creditors is appointed to be held within the houſe of George Beverly, vintner in Inverneſs, upon the 23d current, at twelve o'clock noon, to conſider the ſtates made up by the truſtee, of Mr Cuming's affairs, and to give ſuch directions anent the future management thereof, as ſhall thereupon occur to be neceſſary.

Of which meeting this notice is given.

LODGING and SHOPS to LET.

For a number of years.

A LARGE HOUSE of four ſtoreys, No. 1. in the ſouth corner of St Andrew's Street, fronting alſo to Prince's Street, of forty feet in front, with a back area, extremely well ſituated for being converted into two ſtoreys of ſhops, and the two upper ſtoreys into a dwelling-houſe or warerooms. And, for the convenience of tenants, the proprietor will give allowance for making cellars in both fronts, entries, ſtairs, bow-windows, and other repairs that may be wanted.

The ſubject may be ſeen on Tueſdays and Fridays between one and three o'clock. And for further particulars, and the time of entry, application may be made to the proprietor in the houſe. Not to be repeated.

BLEACHFIELD TO BE SOLD.

To be Sold by public roup, within John's Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, upon Friday the 29th day of December 1786,

THE Bleachfield of Strathmiglo, Houſes and Machinery thereto pertaining, alſo the Houſes, Offices, and Lands of Bankwell, all as lately belonging to and poſſeſſed by the deceaſed William Carrick.

Theſe ſubjects lie in the pariſh of Strathmiglo and ſhire of Fife, are well ſituated for carrying on an extenſive bleaching or printing trade, being in the heart of a populous manufacturing country, and not far from a ſea-port. A purchaſer may enter to the poſſeſſion directly.

The progreſs of writs and conditions of ſale may be ſeen by applying to William Sinclair writer in Edinburgh.

An equitable and a really valuable Chance,
Including every prize, from a 20l. to a 20,000l.
In the preſent ENGLISH STATE-LOTTERY.

The whole of the purchaſe-money returned, if drawn only a ſmall prize of 20l.

To continue during the whole time of the Drawing.

That is to ſay, from the firſt-drawn Ticket till the laſt Ticket is drawn out of the wheel; and the money for the prizes will be paid on demand, without the ſmalleſt deduction whatever.

HORNSBY AND CO. at their old eſtabliſhed houſe, No. 26, Cornhill, and no where elſe on their account, reſpectfully inform the public, that they have renewed their old and much approved ſubſcription plan, at One Guinea, Half a-Guinea, and Five Shillings and Sixpence, which has been ſo univerſally ſupported for twenty Lotteries paſt; and they make no doubt but they ſhall receive, from their worthy patrons, every countenance and ſupport on the preſent occaſion, as HORNSBY AND CO. are determined to purſue every meaſure to the entire ſatisfaction of the public.

ONE GUINEA.			HALF-A-GUINEA.		
If a £20,000	to £1600	0	If a £20,000	to £800	0
10,000	to 800	0	10,000	to 400	0
5000	to 400	0	5000	to 200	0
2000	to 160	0	2000	to 80	0
1000	to 80	0	1000	to 40	0
500	to 40	0	500	to 20	0
100	to 10	0	100	to 5	0
50	to 5	0	50	to 2	10
20	to 1	1	20	to 10s.	6d.
If the number be the firſt-drawn on the 1ſt, 4th, 7th, 10th, 13th, and 16th days, or the laſt-drawn ticket on the laſt day, 80l. will be paid for the ſame.			If the number be the firſt-drawn on the 1ſt, 4th, 7th, 10th, 13th, and 16th days, or the laſt-drawn ticket on the laſt day, 40l. will be paid for the ſame.		

FIVE SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE.

If a £ 20,000	to	£ 400 0 0
10,000	to	200 0 0
5000	to	100 0 0
2000	to	40 0 0
1000	to	20 0 0
500	to	10 0 0
100	to	2 10 0
50	to	1 5 0
20	to	0 5 6

If the number be the firſt-drawn on the 1ſt, 4th, 7th, 10th, 13th, and 16th days, or the laſt-drawn ticket on the laſt day, 20l. will be paid for the ſame.

The following capital conſiderations are likewiſe given gratis, beſide the ſums above mentioned.

If the ſubſcription he drawn any prize whatever above a 20l. a new ſubſcription will be given, excluſive of the full money for the prize, and if drawn only a ſmall prize of 20l. the firſt coſt will be returned.

Subſcribers to this ſociety, previous to the commencement of the drawing, will have the option of renewing their original ſubſcription at the firſt price, and as often as they pleaſe, let the price of tickets go as high as it will: And it is a well known fact, that, for ſeveral lotteries paſt, the Guinea Subſcriptions have been ſold for Five Guineas: In this particular, the two laſt whole days of drawing only are excepted.

Purchaſers buying five, at One Guinea, Half-a-Guinea, or Five Shillings and Sixpence, ſhall receive five times the money laid out, if all five be drawn prizes.

The immenſe ſums of money which have been punctually paid to the public by Hornsby and Co. render it impoſſible for them to continue publiſhing a liſt of prizes which they have ſold; but they will obſerve an invariable rule to publiſh ſuch prizes as are drawn, for the immediate information of their cuſtomers, and the whole at the concluſion of the drawing of every lottery.

Letters (poſt paid) duly anſwered. Any perſon deſiring to have a faithful account of their ſubſcription, ſent as ſoon as drawn to any part of the town or country, may receive the ſame without any additional expence.

Plans at large may be had gratis, at No. 26, Cornhill.

SALE OF HUNDLESHOPE, &c.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within John's Coffeehouſe of Edinburgh, upon Wedneſday the 20th day of December next, betwixt the hours of four and ſix afternoon,

The LANDS and BARONY of HUNDLESHOPE, lying in the pariſh of Mannor, and ſhire of Tweeddale, within two miles of the town of Peebles, and twenty-two miles of Edinburgh.

The free rent of this eſtate is about 250l. Sterling, and conſiſts of

I. The FARM of HUNDLESHOPE, which contains about 200 acres of arable ground, and 2000 of excellent ſheep paſture.

II. The LANDS of BELLANDRIDGE, containing about 200 Scots acres, all of which may be eaſily improved. This farm is very pleaſantly ſituated, ſtretching from Manor water to the river Tweed.

III. The LANDS of HALLYARDS, on which there is a convenient houſe, a good garden, and pigeon-houſe, and comprehending the mill-town, mill, and parks.

The whole are held of the Crown, and give a freehold-qualification in the county.—The proprietor has right to the teinds which are valued, and the ſtipend has been localled within theſe few years.

Apply to Stewart Moodie, writer in Edinburgh.

TO be SOLD by public Roup, within John's Coffeehouſe, on Wedneſday the 3d January next, betwixt the hours of one and two afternoon,

That Tenement of Land fronting the

high ſtreet of Canongate, with the houſes and yard to the back thereof, bounded by the back ſtreet of Canongate on the North, and lying immediately to the Eaſt of the Canongate Church yard, as the ſame are poſſeſſed by Robert Weir and others, at the yearly rent of 21 l. 9 s. Sterling. The ſubjects hold feu of the Magiſtrates of Edinburgh, as ſuperiors, for payment of a ſmall feu-duty. The garden ground, the foot of which reaches to the North back of the Canongate, conſiſts of about 288 feet in length from ſouth to North, and upwards of 65 feet in breadth from Eaſt to Weſt; and from its open expoſure to the Weſt, and eaſy acceſs from the high ſtreet and back of the Canongate, is particularly adapted for erecting dwelling houſes, or any kind of Manufactory.

The progreſs of writs which are clear, together with the articles of roup, are in the hands of James Marſhall writer to the ſignet, who has power to conclude a private bargain, any time before the day of ſale; and the ſubjects themſelves will be ſhown by Robert Weir, one of the tenants.

SALE OF AREAS.

By Order of the Truſtees for Building a Bridge over the Cowgate, &c.

THERE are to be expoſed to Sale by public Roup, within the Old Juſticiary Court-houſe, in Edinburgh, upon Wedneſday the 27th day of December curt. at five o'clock afternoon,

FOUR AREAS or LOTS for building, on the eaſt ſide of South Bridge Street, being numbers VII. VIII. IX. and X. the laſt being the corner area at the Cowgate arch.—Each area will conſiſt of about 48 feet in front along Bridge-ſtreet; the 7th and 10th Lots 33 feet in width, and the 8th and 9th 32 feet in width.

The purchaſer of the 7th Lot will have a right to two of the arches under the ſtreet, the length of the middle or croſs wall, with the materials of Mary's Chapel, and the ſmith's ſhop on the north thereof, on the eaſt ſide of Niddry's Wynd.

The purchaſer of the 8th Lot will have right to one of the ſaid arches, the length of the ſaid wall, and to the materials of the houſes belonging to the Wrights and Maſons, on the ſouth ſide of Mary's Chapel, and eaſt ſide of Niddry's Wynd.

The purchaſer of the 9th Lot will have right to two of the arches under the ſtreet, the length of the ſaid wall, and to the materials of Dallas's tenement, on the eaſt ſide of Niddry's Wynd.

And the purchaſers of the corner or 10th Lot will alſo have right to two of the ſaid arches, to the length of the ſaid croſs wall, and to the materials of the corner tenement at the foot and on the eaſt ſide of Niddry's Wynd.

All theſe arches are 20 feet ſpan at the ſpring of the arch, and ſeveral ſtories of vaults may be made in each of them.

The Truſtees will build the ſouth gable of the 10th Lot, being the wall fronting the Cowgate, from the foundation to the height of the Cowgate Street.

The entry to the premiſſes to be on the 26th day of May next.

The price to bear intereſt from Whitſunday 1788, and to be payable, the one half at Martinmas 1788, and the other half at Martinmas 1789.

N. B. The Truſtees will not object to the purchaſers entering ſooner, provided they make an agreement for that purpoſe with any others concerned.

The conditions of ſale will be ſhown by John Gray writer to the ſignet; and a plan and elevation of the intended buildings will be ſhown by Robert Kay, ſurveyor to the Truſtees, at his houſe in Sandiland's cloſe.

JUDICIAL SALE OF LANDS
In the Stewartry of Kirkcudbright,
AND OF HOUSES AND GARDENS
In and about the Town of Dumfries.

TO be SOLD, within the Parliament or New Seſſion Houſe of Edinburgh, upon Tueſday the 19th day of December 1786, betwixt the hours of four and ſix afternoon,

The LANDS and others underwritten, which belonged to Thomas Buſby of Ardwall:

LOT I. The LANDS of ARDWALL and IRONFAST, and teinds thereof, lying in the pariſh of New Abbey, and ſtewartry of Kirkcudbright.

The proven free rent is - L. 166 4 9 1-12th

And the proven value, at twenty-two years purchaſe, being held of a ſubject-ſuperior, is L. 3657 4 7 10-12ths

Theſe lands are diſtant about nine miles from Dumfries by a good road; conſiſt of between 700 and 800 acres, and are partly arable and partly paſture.

The arable lands are divided into 23 incloſures, and are in general of a good ſoil, and well adapted for huſbandry of every kind. There is an excellent ſituation for building a houſe upon them, with plenty of good water at hand, and an agreeable proſpect of the river Nith, the Solway frith, and the oppoſite coaſt of Cumberland; and, near to this ſituation, there is a complete ſet of offices already built; and alſo a garden, orchard, and ſeveral thriving plantations, all well fenced with ſtone dykes, thorn and beech hedges. About an acre of ground is planted with fruit trees, moſt of which are likewiſe thriving; and there is a number of old trees ſcattered through the fields, which have a fine effect, and are of conſiderable value. Coal and and lime may be brought by water within leſs than a mile of the property, where there is likewiſe an opportunity of exporting the produce of the farms to the markets in the north of England, and elſewhere.

LOT II. That Houſe and Offices lying in the town of Dumfries, preſently poſſeſſed by Dr Babington.

The proven rent of this lot is - L. 14 0 0

And the proven value at twelve years purchaſe, 168 0 0

LOT III. That Houſe and Offices preſently poſſeſſed by Miſs Lawries, lying in the town of Dumfries.

The proven rent of this lot is, L. 7 0 0

And the proven value, at twelve years purchaſe, 84 0 0

LOT IV. That Garden and Meadow lying in the burgh of Dumfries, preſently poſſeſſed by George and William Mandersons, with the houſes built thereon, excepting thoſe contained in Lots II. and III.

The proven free rent of this lot is L. 60 18 6 2-12ths

And the proven value, at twenty-two years purchaſe of the gardens, and twelve years purchaſe of the houſes, the whole being held of the town of Dumfries, is 1280 7 3 8-12ths

LOT V. That Garden in the Weſt Barnraws, or Iriſh gate of Dumfries, poſſeſſed by Dr William Babington.

The proven free rent of this lot is, L. 4 4 0

And the proven value, at twenty-two years purchaſe, being held of the town of Dumfries, is - - - 92 8 0

This is a deſireable ſituation to build on, lying beautifully along the ſide of the river Nith, and incloſed with ſtone and brick walls, well clothed with fruit-trees.

LOT VI. Theſe five acres of Land in the Barkerland of Dumfries,

The yearly free rent whereof is L. 3 14 0

And the proven value, at twenty-two years purchaſe, being held of the town of Dumfries, is 81 8 0

LOT VII. Two Houſes in the brick lodging on the eaſt ſide of the burgh of Dumfries, the one lately poſſeſſed by William Stewart, Eſq; of Caſtleſtewart; and the other preſently, by John Buſhby, Sheriff-clerk of Dumfries.

The proven free rent is - L. 36 11 6

And the proven value, at twelve years purchaſe, - - 438 18 0

The titles and articles of roup may be ſeen at the office of Mr Stevenſon, depute-clerk of Seſſion. And further information will be got, by applying to Alexander Young writer to the ſignet, agent in the ſale; or to Patrick Macdowal writer in Dumfries, factor upon the ſubjects.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the houſe of Peter Buchanan vintner in Port-Glaſgow, on Tueſday the 19th December 1786, betwixt the hours of twelve and two o'clock mid-day,

The Ship CYCLOPS,

Burden about 280 tons, (well calculated for any trade, or may be fitted out for Greenland at an eaſy expence) as ſhe lies in the harbour of Port-Glaſgow.

Inventory and conditions of ſale to be ſeen in the hands of John Dunlop or James Shaw, merchants there to whom perſons intending to purchaſe betwixt and the day of ſale may apply

Sale of Lands in Stirlingſhire.

TO be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, on the 24th January 1787, between the hours of one and two o'clock afternoon,

The Lands and Barony of TORWOODHEAD, the lands of Crawneſt, Carſebrock, Locks, and Bellſdyke, lying in the pariſhes of Dunipace, Larbert, and Airth, and county of Stirling. The lands will be expoſed in different lots. The ſituation of the Torwood is remarkably beautiful, commanding a moſt delightful and extenſive proſpect, and there is a great quantity of very valuable timber on theſe lands. The ſituation and ſoil of the other farms is extremely good.

For particulars apply to John Dundas clerk to the ſignet: William Lewis factor at Carronhall will ſhow the grounds.

Sale of Lands in the Shire of Dumbarton.

TO be SOLD by public roup, in John's Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, upon Monday the 18th day of December curt. betwixt the hours of five and ſix evening,

The LANDS of LAGGARY and BLAIRWATTAN, lying in the pariſh of Rowe, and ſhire of Dumbarton.

The free rent of theſe lands is at preſent only about 60 l. Sterling; but the leaſes, having been granted about twenty years ago, and now expired, a riſe of rent may be expected. There is an oak wood upon the lands of High Laggary, which will be of conſiderable value ſome years hence.

The lands of Laggary are ſituated upon the Gairloch, nearly oppoſite to Greenock and Port-Glaſgow, commanding extenſive views of theſe towns and ſhipping, and of the Duke of Argyle's policy at Roſeneath and Ardincaple. Their diſtance from Dumbarton is about ten miles, and twenty-five miles from Glaſgow. The roads are remarkably good, and a packet boat goes regularly twice a week from the neighbourhood to Greenock, which gives eaſy acceſs to market.

Theſe lands are held of the Duke of Montroſe for payment of a ſmall feu-duty; and have an intereſt in a neighbouring common ſtill undivided, and which is ſituated betwixt Laggary and Blairwattan.

The progreſs and articles of ſale, may be ſeen in the hands of Stewart Moodie, writer in Edinburgh; and further information may be had by applying to Mr John Allan, miniſter of the pariſh of Rowe.

LANDS AND SUPERIORITES
In the Shire of Edinburgh.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Old Exchange Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, upon Wedneſday the 20th December 1786, betwixt the hours of ſix and ſeven afternoon,

The LANDS and ESTATE of EASTER DALRY, formerly called *Bransfield*, partly property, and partly ſuperiority, with the teinds thereof, lying within the pariſh of St Cuthbert's, and ſhire of Edinburgh, in the following lots, viz.

LOT I.—To conſiſt of the Property-lands preſently poſſeſſed by Mr William Walker, Andrew Dixon, David Rentoul, and James Ewing, containing about fourteen Scotch acres, with the Superiority and Feu-duties of the lands belonging in property to the following perſons, viz.

	Annual Feu-duty,	*Sterling.*
Mr Robert Semple,	L. 5 9 0	1-3d.
The Repreſentatives of Robert Reid, - - -	5 11 1	1-3d.
Alexander Robertſon, -	13 10 10	
Mr Walter Biggar,	2 15 6	2-3ds.
James Gordon, - -	2 15 6	2-3ds.
John Forſyth, - -	5 12 2	2-3ds.
Duncan Kennedy, -	1 7 9	1-3d.
Thomas Kinnell, - -	10 0 0	
Mrs Gray, - -	4 2 3½	
Mrs Lizars, - -	7 7 9	
Amounting all theſe Feu-duties to	L. 58 12 1¼	
Adding to which, the nett rent of the property-lands, (including the equivalent) being - -	68 18 3¾	
The total free yearly rent and feu-duty will be - -	L. 147 10 5	

On this lot is a ſubſtantial and convenient manſion-houſe, a complete ſet of offices, and a large garden. The houſe is within a few minutes walk of the New Town of Edinburgh.

LOT II.—To conſiſt of the Superiority and Feu-Duties of the lands belonging in property as follows, viz.

	Valued Rents. Scots. £. s. d.	*Annual Feu Duties* Sterling. £. s. d.	
To Alexander Fraſer Tytler, Eſq; -	36 13 4	12 5 6	2-3ds
Lord Colvill, -	47 1 8	18 12 5	2-3ds
Mr Morriſon, -	54 5 0	18 13 4	2-3ds
Mr Thomſon's repreſentatives -	11 13 4	4 3 4	
Mr Swinton, -	6 10 0	2 11 8	
Mr Bertram, - -	3 0 0	2 15 6	2-3ds
Mr Ponton, -	6 3 4	5 6 11	2-3d
Mr Marſhall, -	18 0 0	5 11 1	2-3d
Mr Burns, -	2 10 0	0 15 6	
Mr Scott, -	2 13 4	2 2 6	1-3d
	189 0 0	72 18 0	2-3ds

N. B. If agreeable to offerers, the ſuperiority and feu-duty of each parcel of which this lot conſiſts, will be expoſed ſeparately.

And purchaſers will have the benefit of an unexecuted preceept in a charter under the Union Seal.

Beſide the feu-duties contained in this and the preceding lot, almoſt a conſtant annual revenue ariſes from the caſualties of ſuperiority which are daily falling, and which, by the terms of the feu-rights, are exigible from the perſon in poſſeſſion, whether he enters vaſſal or not.

LOT III.—To conſiſt of 1 acre 3 roods and 7 falls, or thereby, of property-lands, ſeparated from the reſt of the property-lands above mentioned by the high road which leads from the Corſtorphine road ſouth weſtward to the Glaſgow road, being juſt now poſſeſſed, partly by Mr William Morriſon writer, and partly by George King, at the rent of 8l. 16 s. 9 d. Sterling.

The lands of Dalry hold of the Crown, for payment of a trifling duty. A part of the property-lands comprehended in Lot I. are held feu of Heriot's Hoſpital, for payment of a yearly feu-duty, which is ſuſpended till Martinmas 1790, and a tack duty payable in the mean time to the Hoſpital's leſſee, which tack-duty is deducted from the rent of ſaid Lot I. and the nett rent only here ſtated. That part of Lot I. holding of the Crown, together with Lot III. which is to hold of the purchaſer of the firſt lot, being rated at 416l. 10 s. 4 d. Scots, of valued rent, will thus entitle to a freehold qualification.

The lands are of a rich improved ſoil, chiefly garden ground, and are all incloſed. Their immediate vicinity to the town of Edinburgh, while it affords a certain market for their produce, will be attended alſo with other and perſonal advantages to a purchaſer.

The title-deeds and conditions of ſale are in the hands of James Thomſon writer to the ſignet, Hanover Street, from whom further information may be had.

GLASGOW, Nov. 25, 1786.

AT a Meeting of the Grand Antiquity SOCIETY in Glaſgow, called for conſidering the ſcheme lately propoſed by the Landed Intereſt of Mid-Lothian, of altering the corn laws, and of making the prices of grain in that county the ſtandard of importation into the other counties in Scotland, it was unanimouſly reſolved,

1ſt, That a plentiful ſupply of proviſions, at reaſonable rates, is the only certain method of nouriſhing and ſecuring permanency to the manufactures of any country.

2d, That the extenſive manufactures of the weſtern counties of Scotland, where the corn raiſed produces to the numerous inhabitants ſubſiſtence only for a ſhort period of the year, would be ſeverely ſhackled, if the importation of the common neceſſaries of life was made to depend on the ſtate of ſuch a fertile and flouriſhing county as Mid-Lothian, and beſides, the people would oft be reduced to the greateſt diſtreſs, before they could obtain relief.

3d, That to regulate the importation into any county, by the rate or price of grain in another, would be partial, unjuſt, and impolitic to the higheſt degree; and that as the rate or price of each county is the ſureſt ſtandard for regulating its own importation, and which the preſent law authoriſes, they truſt, that if any alteration is at all made, it will be ſuch, as will conduce to the general advantage and proſperity of the country.

4th, That this Society will therefore cordially unite with other ſocieties and bodies corporate, in oppoſing any alteration whatever in the corn law, until the legiſlature ſhall think proper to propoſe one more advantageous even than the preſent. And that they will cheerfully pay their proportion of the expence of ſuch oppoſition.

And they ordain theſe reſolutions to be publiſhed in the Edinburgh and Glaſgow news papers.

JAMES BURNS, Preſes.

A Brewery or Diſtillery to Let,
And Houſehold Furniture and Brewing Utenſils
TO BE SOLD.

TO be LET and entered to immediately, That large and commodious BREWERY at Newington, in the Cauſeyſide near Edinburgh, poſſeſſed by James Megget, conſiſting of a large Barn and two Lofts above the ſame, Kiln and Coble; a large Brew-houſe, Stable, and Cellars, with Lofts above the ſtable and cellars, and a large Garden adjoining.—There is alſo a Dwelling-houſe of three rooms and a kitchen, with garrets.

This ſubject will anſwer either for a Brewery or Diſtillery and will be let for any number of years that may be agreed on.

If not ſet in tack juſt now, the Malting will be let till Whitſunday next.

For particulars application may be made to Mr Alexander Scott, brewer at Fountain Bridge, or Mr Scott at Gifford's Park.

The HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and BREWING UTENSILS will be ſold by roup on the ground of the premiſſes, upon Wedneſday the 27th of December curt.

TO be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, upon Wedneſday the 20th of December curt, at ſix o'clock afternoon,

The Lands of Halftown, Ardinſlatt,

Orchyard, and Inveravegan, lying in the united pariſhes of Dunoon and Kilmun, and pariſh of Inverachellan, lordſhip of Cowal, and county of Argyle.

I. The Town and Lands of HALFTOWN, and teinds thereof, including Ardinſlatt and Dalliag, conſiſting of about 619 Scots acres, whereof about 130 are arable, 40 in wood, and the reſt in paſture. Theſe lands are ſituated along the north ſide of the frith of Clyde, within ſix miles of the thriving and populous town of Greenock. There is a ſlated manſion-houſe on the Halftown, and a good deal of natural wood, conſiſting of oak, aſh, and birch. The lands command a noble view of the river and frith of Clyde, the iſland of Cumbray, Bute, and Arran, and part of the counties of Ayr and Renfrew. Theſe lands afford moſt delightful ſituations for building; labour is cheap, coal, lime, and a ready market are at hand; and about 400 acres of the land being in a ſtate of nature, and a good ſoil, are highly improveable.—There are no leaſes on the ſaid lands; they are exempted from thirlage, and the tenants pay all public burdens, ceſs excepted.—Eſtimating very moderately ſome lands about the manſion-houſe, in the proprietor's poſſeſſion, and putting no value upon the woods, the preſent rent is 121 l. Sterling; but, by laying out a ſmall ſum in incloſing and improvement, the rent may be much encreaſed. There are blue ſlate quarries in the ſaid lands, on the edge of the frith, and plenty of moſs upon the eſtate, and the coaſt abounds with ſea-ware for making kelp.

II. The Town and Lands of ORCHYARD, and teinds thereof, together with the half-merk land of COTT, and ferry boat of the ſame, conſiſting of about 198 Scots acres, whereof about 60 are arable, 32 meadow and green paſture, and the reſt good muir paſture. Orchyard lies at the head of Holyloch, in view of the Clyde, and along the ſide of a fine trouting river. Theſe lands have never been improved, and are capable of it in a high degree, as the green and muir paſture are flat, and may be converted into arable ground, the means being eaſy and cheap. The tenants pay all the public burdens, and their leaſes expire at next Whitſunday. Converting the meal and caſualties at the uſual rates, the preſent very low rent of theſe lands is 30 l. 3 s. 8 d.

III. The Lands of INVERAVEGAN, lying alongſt the eaſt ſide of that arm of the ſea, called Lochſtrevan, is at preſent in paſture, of a conſiderable extent, and very fit for a ſheep walk. They are under leaſe till Whitſunday 1796, at a rent of 32 l. excluſive of public burdens, which the tenant pays all, except 4 s. 3½d. of feu-duty.

The whole of theſe lands are ſituated in a fine ſporting country, well ſtored with game and fiſh, and in the vicinity of good markets.

The lands will be ſold together, or in ſuch ſeparate lots as purchaſers ſhall incline; and for the encouragement of purchaſers, a very conſiderable part of the price may lie in their hands upon proper ſecurity.

Plans and rentals of the lands will be ſhown by Mr George Farquhar, writer in Edinburgh, to whom, or to Mr John Campbell, writer in Greenock, intending purchaſers may apply for particulars; and a ſervant at the houſe of Halftown will ſhew the lands.

N. B. After converſing with ſome intended offerers, it is propoſed to expoſe the lands of Inveravegan in one Lot; and the lands of Halfton, Ardinſlat, and Orchard, in another Lot. The wood on this laſt lot has lately been meaſured and valued at 370 l. Sterling.

FARMS TO LET.

TO be LET for ſuch number of years as ſhall be agreed upon, and entered to at Whitſunday next, the following FARMS, lying in the counties of Peebles and Lanark.

JEDDERFIELD, in the pariſh of Peebles, preſently poſſeſſed by David Grieve.

LYNE and HALLYNE, in the pariſh of Lyne, preſently poſſeſſed by Alexander Gray.

HAMILDEAN, in the ſaid pariſh of Lyne, preſently poſſeſſed by the ſaid Alexander Gray.

BROADMEADOW, in the pariſh of Peebles, preſently poſſeſſed by Walter Ritchie.

ALSO

The Farm of WHITECAMP, in the pariſh of Crawfordmuir, and county of Lanark, preſently poſſeſſed by John Brown.

Perſons inclining to become Tackſmen of any of the above farms, will pleaſe give in their propoſals to John Tait writer to the ſignet, Parkplace, Edinburgh, or to John M'Murdo Eſq; at Drumlanrig, between and the firſt day of January next; and none of the offers will be made public, but ſuch as ſhall be accepted of.

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